

## GUN RAFFLE WINNERS

A big thank you to so many for buying OHEIA raffle tickets and making donations to our fall fund raiser. It was an exciting venture and as I write this article, I reflect on how much pleasure my husband, Jim, had selling tickets. All OHEIA



board members played a part in reaching our goal of selling only 1,000 tickets. Jim was awarded a very nice plaque for selling the most tickets (he sold 505 tickets), making our Northeast Region of Oregon mighty proud of his accomplishments.

With half of the tickets sold in Eastern Oregon, it is natural to realize that the odds that someone from Eastern Oregon would be a winner. In fact two of the three winners were from Pendleton and had purchased their ticket from Jim.

Now let me tell you a story. We went into the Western Auto Home and Appliance store to look at some stoves. Brenda, the owner, purchased a couple of tickets and is a big supporter of Hunter Education.

While we were in the store, Bryan Branstetter was in there, too, and purchased five tickets. It was our pleasure to go back to the store to get a photo with Bryan and Brenda and Jim and myself showing off the new gun. Bryan was the first draw winner of the most coveted Browning Citori 725 shotgun in the raffle. We weren't able to get a photo of Carl Schulze, the other Pendleton winner of the third draw for the Winchester Super X3, who received his shotgun the day after this photo was taken and we haven't made connections to get a photo of Carl yet.



Pictured: Jim Marquardt, Brenda from Western Auto, Darlene Marquardt and Bryan Branstetter.

Our second draw winner of the Browning Maxus was a very excited Darrol Gesh from Creswell Clay Targets, in Creswell, who had purchased his tickets specifically for the shotgun he won.

The drawing took place at the ODFW offices in Salem on December 9<sup>th</sup>. Many of you were there. We enjoyed updates from ODFW about not only hunting, but also fishing and archery. Enjoying the outdoors is something we do in Oregon.



Pictured: Myrna, ODFW, and Chris Friend, OHEIA



President, preparing the raffle barrel, Jim turning the handle and Chris calling the winners.

**Congratulations, winners!**

Again, thank you all for your support of our very successful fund raiser.

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